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Columbia is the Favorite in Forthcoming International Yacht Race.

NATIONAL PRIDE AROUSES MUCH INTEREST

Americans Hope America's Cup May Continue to Remain on This Side of Pond-Review of Past Week in Sporting Circles.

America's cup between the defender, Colum- nary interest taken in the contest. bia, and the challenger, Shamrock, is not alone confined to those who are experts in the celebrated contest would create nothing more than a ripple in sporting circles. On devour everything that is printed relative to wage battle for the America's cup, or the personality of the famous sportsmen, C. of the sloops. National excitement, alike to which there stands none other for comparison, is at a high pitch now and will continue so until the celebrated races shall be completed.

This interest is not unnatural, either, for every American has a consuming fire of patriotism which leads him to demand that America shall be first in everything. And especially is this true regarding the yacht races. Great Britain has for years claimed the autocracy of the seas, yet in forty years' time, with trials reasonably frequent, she has been unable to wrest from America the spuch-coveted cup. Americans are proud of the distinction arising from the long years' possession of this cup and the attempt to regain it by the Britons is viewed not necessarily with the fear of impending danger, but with the overwhelming desire that the challenger may this year be even more thoroughly defeated than ever before.

The races next month promise to be sensational because of the recognized evenness yachts. From published statements generally recognized to be authentic the relafeet. Columbia-Length over all, 131 feet; length on the water line, 89 feet, 6 inches; beam, 24 feet, 2 inches; draft, 19 feet, 10 inches; sail area, approximately 13,940 square feet. From this it will be seen that the vessels in design and construction are practically the same, but there is one thing about the Shamrock which expert nautical men look dubiously upon, and that is her immense area of sail, which it will be noticed by consulting the figures quoted above, is considerably larger than the Columbia's.

This is considered by many to be the "surprise or two" which Sir Thomas had in store for the American people, as per his promise. When the Shamrock appeared for the first time in her racing clothes Sir Thomas could very easily have perceived that the Americans were really surprised for never before had a single sticker been seen with such an area of sail. Her boom is variously estimated at 110 to 112 feet and her gaff at 70 to 71 feet. Her club topsail is proportionately large, and in every detail the sails of the Irish yacht are larger than the Columbia's. The surprise was that the sloop could stand up at all, even in a light breeze, with such an immense spread

In the first trial of speed of the Shamstrong. It happened on a broad reach, too, said to be somewhat worried over this accident and it is hinted that Mr. Fife fell a victim to the temptation so frequent among designers and took some chances to save weight, with the result that the flimsy underbody is a trifle lacking in ability to carry the heavy spread of sails; at any rate sufficiently, so that there is a possibility of accident when the big race comes off. This being the case and if so, it is sure to be proven conclusively during the trials be tween now and the contest-it is asserted that Designer Fife will recommend either the carrying of a smaller rig or countenance the risk of accident, in either case giving an advantage to the defender. For this reason odds in the betting have gone up a notch in favor of the Columbia and considerable money has been placed at 8 to 5.

The Columbia has arrived in Bristol where it has been put through minute experimental trials during the last few days by Mr. Iselin and its sailing master, Captain Barr, for many years recognized as one of the smartest sailors of large yachts. One of the experiments which proved most while the yacht was under way and the has dispelled all doubts of the advisability of using the steel mainmast. As the crewall from Dee Isle, Maine, reputed for producing the best sailors in the land-let out the cable which is fastened to the heel of the topmast it sank smoothly into the hollow mainmast and was soon snugly housed. Then it was raised again into position without lessening the speed of the boat. The clubtopsail is so large that nearly the entire

cost as high as \$1.32 a yard. Speaking of the outlay for the canvass reminds one of the endless amount of money

SPORT of kings rather than delegating horse racing to that distinguished class. In the first place a sloop like the Columbia costs about \$75,000. Added to this is no small sum for repairs and alterations. There is a crew. numbering altogether almost forty men, all of whom command large salaries because of the expert knowledge required of them. Beside the actual expense of maintaining the Columbia there is the steamer St Michaels, which tows the big yacht around when necessary, and the Defender, which serves as a trial horse. Computing these enormous expenses of both the Columbia and the Shamrock it is easy to see that the pastime of contesting for the world's championship in which Mr. Iselin and Sir Thomas Lipton have engaged is a decidedly expensive one, and this element of expense prob-Interest in the forthcoming race for the ably has some connection with the extraordi-

How will the contest terminate? Will pautical affairs. In fact, were this the case, the Columbia prove the better craft in two out of three of the races? Well, all good Americans hope that she will and the the contrary, however, the large majority ting is a substantial proof of the confidence of people on this side of the pond eagerly held in her. If she does win, all America will rejoice. If, on the contrary, Sir Thomas to the race, the two giant sloops which are | Lipton's sloop carries off the cup which the America won in 1851, due praise will be meted out to the Shamrock, and the Ameri-Oliver Iselin and Sir Thomas Lipton, owners cans will go to work to construct a yacht which will recapture the trophy-and it won't take them forty years to do it, either.

COLLEGE ATHLETICS WARM UP

Foot Ball Players Swarm the Gridirons-Harvard Has Advantage of the Best Start.

The work of preparation for the foot ball eason of 1899 has already begun in earnest at all of the big universities and the untold numbers of people who are devotees of this deservedly popular sport are talking of nothing else now-the makeup of the teams, how they will compare with the elevens of the last few years and the ultimate winners of the championships.

As usual, the veterans of foot balldom and the candidates for positions on the different teams reported on the gridirons a week or more previous to the time of the opening of the colleges and the last week has been an active one. None of the teams are yet fully in nearly all respects of the contesting organized nor has anything other than preliminary practice, designed to show the stuff in the aspirants for team positions, been tive dimensions of the two crafts are: done. The prospects, however, for an un-Shamrock—Length over all, 132 feet, 2 usually interesting season are particularly inches; length on the water line, 89 feet, 6 bright, with the relative merits of the sevinches; beam, 24 feet, 6 inches; draft, 20 eral big teams yet an open question. With feet; sail area, approximately, 14,125 square all of them one thing is noticeable-none are entering the season of 1899 buoyed up by false hopes and the prestige of former victories, to end the season with irretrievable defeat, but each, with an unusual degree of uncertitude and with a consciousness that victory comes not by past laurels or achievements, but only in effort and perseverance With this end in view the coaches are putting their men through diligent practicemore of a preliminary nature than anything else, to limber up the men after their summer's vacation, consisting of falling on the ball, passing it and some running about the

advantage and a brilliant opportunity to protect its well earned laurels for the reason that Head Coach Ben Dibble starts out with a better nucleus of old players than any of the other universities. Among them are Hallowell for right end; Eaton, last year's sub right tackle, who played in the Yale game: Captain Burden for right guard, Burnett for center, which position he played for a time in the Pennsylvania and Yale games; Boal for left guard, Daly for quarterback, War-ren for right half and Reid for fullback. Harvard covered herself with glory good and However, we are assured of having an traifan boxer, in only six rounds. O'Donstrong last year and realizes that good, hard rock Sir Thomas Lipton was himself sur- work will be necessary to protect the position as a number of applications have been reprised and chagrined when the jaws of the gained. She has adopted a system of playing ceived from outside teams for games. As gaff and the gaff itself broke in a breeze foot ball which has proven successful with soon as the matter of the league is decided annihilate him. McCoy's skill, however, which didn't reach ten miles an hour all teams that have tried it. It is nothing we will prepare a program for the season's more than overbalanced the advantage of more than good, straightforward teamwork, games." which is not considered a trying point of pushed through with dash and energy. It sailing. Designer Fife of the Shamrock is used to be with Harvard, as well as many old players, filled out by the more promisother teams, to score at the beginning and ing candidates for admission to this years' thus upset the opponents. To do this she must start in to hammer the opposing line. no matter in what part of the field the hall is down. The system now is to engage in tackle; Fradenburg, right guard; Whippie, plenty of kicking and awaiting the opportunity to score.

Harvard begins the year with a distinct

Yale does not start off with very promsing prospects. Athletic Adviser Walter stitutes. Camp says: "I do not remember a season when there was so much to be done by a Yale eleven before it rounded into winning form as the present. Nothing will ever win for us this year except the hardest effort applied in just the right way." They have a way at Yale, however, of pulling themselves together, and with green mastraightforward, old-fashioned three-men-Speaking of this matter Doucette, Harvard's or back of the line are several who have peer of any middleweight in the world, and Chris Von der Ahe and A. H. Spink of St. Nebraska barn-storming tour. We ran satisfactory was telescoping the topmast a well-defined method of playing a game. from which to select the eleven who are ex-They do not kill off their men by attemptmainmast was bent before the wind, which ing to make touchdowns from the middle of the field by means of linebucking, but, in- Already several teams are writing for enfashion, and they usually get there, too."

Princeton fares well so far as prospects a team which is expected to be heard from. The very personality of Captain Edwards crew of forty men is required to hoist it is such that he ought to lead a winning and the other with any other team, for our from the deck. The club and yards to team. He possesses a magnetic influence, which it is made fast are forty and fifty feet long. The Columbia has been fitted edly popular. Princeton will not depart out with a new suit and the canvas cost no this year from her old prestige of straightless than \$50,000. Some of the sails have away ball. The time of experimental protems of play, has proved detrimental in the extreme, trick plays adorned with fancy necessary to provide sufficient funds for a maneuvers have proven almost worthless single struggle for the America's cup. It is in the larger games, and the immense

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of kings rather than delegating horse racing Edwards, therefore, starts off the season High school, Council Bluffs High school and | Europe and they will arrive in New York with about a dozen good plays in view and Bellevue college. these will be practice until a degree of perfection is attained.

> The 1899 squad representing the University of Pennsylvania began its fall practice rather earlier than any of the other big teams and Coach Woodruff is putting his men through a course of systematic preparation. The year opens with many of the old "varsity" players on the team and only about three recruits will have to be added. The development of a back field is the most important oblem which confronts the coaches for Pennsy, and the fact that it remained so long unsolved last season is asserted to have been the fatal factor in the undoing of the team. As a matter of fact, the Pennsylvanians, as well as all other foot ball men, understand that the three men down through the center of a team-center, quarter and fullback-are the very nucleus and stem upon which to build a good team. If these three men are well settled in their positions and trained and working together the mainspring of a foot ball mechanism is in good order, and the rest of the line and the halfbacks can be more easily fitted in their respective positions. Without three good men in these central positions, the whole structure is likely to fall to pieces with its heavy limbs and hollow trunk. They are the very stem of the foot ball tree. Henvy losses hang over their slightest error in passing, catching and kicking,

There is a decided degree of activity among the teams of the western colleges and universities. Wisconsin starts off with a decided advantage in her organization, with but few vacancies to fill and plenty of material from which to make selections. Fullback O'Dea, who has achieved a remarkable record because of his kicking, is said to be practicing on a new kick which

is described as follows: "The new kick is said to be a wonderful demonstration of his ability to control the pigskin. The ball, on leaving the kicker's foot, receives a twist that produces an effect similar to that caused by the twist which a pitcher gives to a baseball in throwing drop curve-that is, after traveling a cerits forward motion and falls in an almost straight line. When kicking against the alightest wind, the ball, in falling to the ground, comes back some distance toward the kicker.

"The immense value of this new method of punting is clearly evident. The erratic motion of the ball makes it almost impossible In the bout between Ryan and Craig confor the opposing team accurately to judge siderable interest was aroused owing to the where it will strike the ground, thus in- prominence into which Craig has sprung creasing the chances of a fumble. Old Wisconsin players who have been catching O'Dea's punts in practice for the last year or two say that the new kick is most difficult to handle."

"We have hardly yet got down to good, hard systematic work," said Coach Whipple of the Omaha High School foot ball squad, "but before the end of this week I think that the personnel of the team for the com- affectation. But when he went up against ing year will be agreed upon and then we will enter upon a course of systematic practice, deciding upon our signals and special plays. The team this year will be a strong one. We have an abundance of good material to select from. This much has been proven beyond doubt in the hour practices which we have been engaging in every afternoon since school began,

"There is some doubt as to the existence of the scholastic league, composed of the Australia. The latter has come to the high schools of Omaha, Lincoln, Council Bluffs and Red Oak, Ia., this year. There seems to be a slight misunderstanding regarding a clause in the by-laws and until this is settled we have not arranged a schedule of games for the coming season. abundance of opportunity to show our mettle | nell had all of the advantage in weight and

Yesterday a team composed of some of the team, went out to Hastings for a game with for the middleweight championship. He has Hastings college. The line-up was as fol-lows: Estabrook, right end; Welch, right center; Roberts, left guard; Englehard, left tackle; Gay, left end; Prichard, quarterback; Tracy, left half; Butler, right half; Thomas, full back; Randall, Clark and Seegrist, sub-

Arrangements have already been completed for a game at Tabor with Tabor college, October 28, and with the Red Oak High school at Red Oak on Thanksgiving.

ting in some diligent practice, and by the back foot ball with no frills or variations, latter part of the week the organization will pretends to be, and am confident that I have president of the old American Association I'll not stand for the smaller associations. depending wholly upon good team work, and probably be effected and the captain se- a few good fights left in me yet. In one of club of Milwaukee; C. S. Havenor, a city heard a good story on this Utah league while this is the system that will win for them. lected. Among the men who seek a place on these I hope to demonstrate that I am the old-time center, pays the following compli- been members of first-class teams, and there ment to Yale: "For years Yale has had is no dearth whatever of available material title. Mr. Fitzsimmons is advertising him- and secretary respectively of the old St. that is located not a thousand miles from pected to carry the Young Men's Christian association colors to many victories this fall. stead, they play a kicking game until they gagements and the season will undoubtedly get the ball within striking distance, and be an interesting one. Manager Shallcross then they go at it hammer and tongs of the Bellevue college team has written desiring to make arrangements for an early game. George T. Jordan, manager of the University of South Dakota team, also writes are concerned, and begins the season with for a game. Mr. Jordan states: "We will come to Omaha and play two games, one with the Young Men's Christian association open after November 15. Mr. Mayne, who any weight, and wants the Kid to get down cesses in her history, with various sys- of Physical Director Barnes, says that the says: demands of the South Dakota team are a trifle excessive and he does not believe that a game will be arranged, especially since I am ready to accept your proposals and there are a number of other teams within fight you for the middleweight champion-shares." estimated at no less than a half million amount of time wasted in learning them dollars and indicates that it would be more has proven a distinct disadvantage in the fill all dates that remain vacant after the weight to you. A claimant for the middlecloser range of Omaha who are anxious to appropriate to call yacht racing the sport sacrifice of perfected team work. Captain usual games are arranged with the Omaha

The State University of Iowa, it is ported on reliable authority, will not participate this year in the Western University league, heretofore composed of the Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri and Iowa universities, as she has been able to gain entry into a circuit of eastern university teams. It is likely that one of the teams representing Grinnell, Ames or Drake will fill the vacancy made by the withdrawal of the State university. A local foot ball man said yesterday, in discussing this matter: "I have witnessed a number of the games in which the Iowa team has contested and unless it is remarkably stronger this year than ever before I have serious doubts as to its ability to hold its own with some of the larger universities with whom it will centest honors during the coming season. For the last few years the Hawkeyes have been kept busy holding up their end of the string with Nebraska, Kansas and Miscouri, and they will be outclassed by the teams of the larger universities unless there is a marked improvement."

The lowa team has arranged a schedule of games for the next two months as follows: September 23, State Normal college at Iowa City; September 29, "Inauguration day," alumni at Iowa City; October 7, University of Chicago at Chicago; October 11, Penn college at Iowa City; October 14, Drake university at Des Moines; October 21, Rush Medical college at Iowa City; October 27, Iowa State college (Ames) at Iowa City; November 3, University of South Dakota at Sioux City; November 11, Iowa college (Grinnell) at Iowa City; November 18, Knox college at Galesburg; November 20, Iowa Wesleyan university at Mount Pleasant; November 24, Simpson college at Iowa City; November 30, University of Illinois at

M'COY HAS ANOTHER VICTORY

The "Kid" Disposes of O'Donnell in Short Order and Wants to Meet "Lanky Bob" Next.

Favorites won in the two principal pugilwhipped Frank Craig, the "Harlem Coffee went with him, Cooler," at the Coney Island Sporting club Monday night.

The contests were both one-sided, the winners carrying away the laurels in a walk. during the past few years because of the several victories he has won in England, where he has made his stamping grounds for some time. Craig was a unique and picturesque exponent of pugilism. Since his return from England, where he knocked out Pritchard, Frank Slavin, Dick Burge and Jerry Driscoll, he has been sporting around the champion welterweight he met a decided Waterloo. Ryan was overmatched in weight. reach and size, but with his shiftiness and headwork had no trouble in disposing of the colored "Englishman," and Referee Siler called the fight in favor of Ryan before the tenth round was finished. Next week Ryan will be at Denver in attendance upon the carnival week given by the Colorado Athletic association and will meet Jimmy Ryan of front lately and when he held up for twenty rounds with Joe Choynski he showed that he was a pretty tough proposition.

"Kid" McCoy made another hit for himself when he defeated O'Donnell, the Aus-160-pound "kid" and looking fully able to the Australian and at no time in the game was the latter a consequential figure. Mc-Coy's victory over O'Donnell has made him more than ever anxious to meet Fitzsimmons posted a forfeit of \$1,000 to meet Fitzsimmons at 158 pounds and states that if "Bob" foes not meet it within thirty days he will claim the middleweight championship and defend it against all comers, negroes barred, at 158 pounds. In speaking of this matter the "Kid" says:

"Fitzsimmons' excuses for refusing to fight me are ridiculous in the extreme. He pretends to ignore my challenge on the ground that I had an opportunity to fight him before he fought Jeffries and, having overlooked that chance, I am not entitled While not yet fully organized, the foot ball to any further consideration. I venture to team of the Young Men's Christian associa- say that had I fought Mr. Fitzsimmons at tion this year promises to outshine all of its that time, myself and not he would have terial they can turn out a surprisingly good predecessors. A number of the prospective been Jeffries' opponent in the late chameleven. And then Yale depends on good, candidates for admission to the team are put-

"I am not on the eve of retiring, as he holder of the middleweight championship. fully belong to him, and which in all fair- Union association team. ss he should relinquish to whomever is legitimately qualified to defend it."

In connection with McCoy's efforts to ar-

ship. I do not propose to give away any should expect you to do."

Denver before the Colorado Athletic association during the coming week. Tomorrow be in splendid shape. night "Kid" Parker, the seemingly invincible western lightweight, will meet Perry said that the devotees of pugilism are so ways been sorely hampered by reason oney and Harry Lyons, Mose LaFontise and drafting process is permissible. Eugene Bezenah will both go for twenty Craig, will meet Jimmy Ryan of Australia. as good opponent as the stellar attractions. fistic carnival will be brought to a close by ter "Buck" says: a twenty-round exhibition between Joe Choynski and Ed Dunkhorst.

Billy Delaney, the celebrated trainer, left ciation being formed and I believe that be Billy Delaney, the celebrated trainer, left clation being formed and I believe that beSan Francisco for New York last week to green Jim Jeffries for his battle with Tom spreamed Jim Jeffries for his battle with Tom spreamed disruption of the present Western plumbers' label to be affixed on all city Sharkey. The champion is on his way from league. With this prospect the chance is work.

about the same time. Since he returned from the east Delaney has passed a great deal of his time at the springs. His health was poor, but it is much improved now.

"Of course, I am confident that Jeffries will boat Sharkey," remarked Billy. "Before he beat Fitz I was just as confident as I am now. After that engagement at Mechanics' pavilion there was no doubt in my mind as to who was the best man. Jeffries gave Sharkey a hard drubbing that night but the one he will give him next month will finish him. You can't make me be-Heve that the sailor wants to fight Jeff. He would get out of it if he could, but he can't. He is forced to meet Jeff. I shall go straight through to New York and we will begin work right away. We will have just a month to train, which is enough." "Will you make any changes in your

course of training?" Delaney was asked. "I have no changes in mind now," he replied, "but I can't say exactly what I will do until I see Jeff and look him over. I presume we will go through the same routine as we did for Fitz and probably we will work at the same place."

Delaney takes Phil Green, the "soldier" pugilist, back with him. Green, who is thought well of by the trainer, will assist

James J. Jeffries, champion heavyweight

ways which ultimately unmake champions. The latest from England reads to the effect that the big Californian spent much of his time in the company of Fougere, a Paris music hall singer, who is said to be des- City, Kansas City, Minneapolis and St. Paul. perately in love with the western giant. When Jeffries embarked the other day for When Jeffries embarked the other day for Missouri river bottoms. The plan doesn't his twelve-day trip to Boston his friends originate with me. I have had a pile of had to smuggle him away from the actress, telegrams and letters about it and I know and that is why the pugilist sailed from Dublin on a twelve-day boat instead of from Liverpool on a much faster vessel. When Fougere found out that the object of her adoration had sailed she immediately engaged passage. The chansonette will reach New York before the fighter. She is desperately in love with Jeffries, and declares that she will marry him. Jeffries met the stic encounters last week when "Kid" Mc- singer during his recent visit to Paris, and tain distance in its flight, it abruptly loses Coy put a kink in Steve O'Donnell's fighting when he announced his intention of recareer at the Broadway Athletic club in turning to London she canceled her en-New York Tuesday night and Tommy Ryan gagement without a moment's notice and 200 men who will contribute that amount.

GOSSIP ABOUT NEW LEAGUE

Plan to Organize New National Associntion-Keith Expects Omaha to Be in Western League.

Base ball circles have been aroused to a greater degree of interest during the past week than at any time for a long while over the plan that is on foot to organize a new national league to be known as the American Association of Base Ball Clubs. In case such heavyweights as Jem Smith, Ted it is carried to a successful conclusion there is no doubt but that there will be a rivalry in base ball which will stir sporting circles in high feather, the veriest object of English from center to circumference. There is no possibility that the new association and the National league could get along without friction. There would be a continual rivalry over players and other matters sure to arise to disturb the serenity of the atmosphere. This being the case, the organization of a new national association would be a body-blow to base ball, as the quarrels and equabbles would naturally disgust the average individual, who forms the majority in attendance at a ball game and goes-not because he is drawn thither by an irresistible enthusiasm, but merely for the purpose of passing pleasantly away a few hours witnessing a sport which has become noted for its national popularity.

> What is the motive for the organization of another base ball association? The platform of the proposed new league throws some light upon this question and tearsely shows the reasons why its promoters believe an other organization would be a success. It is: "Honest competition, no syndicate base ball, no reserve rule, to respect all contracts and popular prices." Each of these statements is a direct blow at the National league and shows as prima facle evidence that the new association is antagonistic to the old from the very start.

The plan of the promoters of the American is to have a circuit of eight cities, four in the east and four in the west. The ones Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Chicago, St. Louis and Milwaukee, with Washington or Baltimore. Detroit or Buffalo in the doubtful column. The preliminary meetings held in Chicago this week were attended by some of the best known base ball men in the country and each was emphatic in his declaration that the American was a go-working harmoniously with the National league if possible, but antagonistic to it if necessary. Adrian C. Anson, than whom no one ever gained greater popularity in base ball circles, was one of the king bees of the hive. chance to don the spangles in the major of Others participating were: H. D. Quinn, the Western league I would not say nay, but councilman of Milwaukee; George Schaefer, I was with the rest of the Gulfs on our the ambition of my life is to fight for that Louis-the latter two having been president across a ball tosser who played with a team holder of the middleweight championship. American association and twice champions ago, either. One day this player rolled up I seriously question his ability to scale 158 of the world; Frank Buckley, a New York an error column that looked like a bowling pounds, and if he can I stand ready to make assemblyman; Frank Hough, sporting editor score and his case was considered by the a match at that weight. If he cannot, then of a Philadelphia newspaper, and M. D. stockholders of the club. There were about he is assuming a title which does not right. Scanlon, once president of the Washington sixty-three of these holders of stock cer-

When the proposition was first broached it was laughed at for the reason that National leaguers did not see where the money necessary to support such an association was range a meeting with the Cornishman, to come from. The promoters, however, Tommy Ryan seems equally as anxious to seem to have had this matter well in hand Ryan has thrown down before proceeding to the length they have the gauntlet to McCoy and is ready to fight George Schaefer said: "As far as capital expenses and \$150." He states that dates are him. He, however, refuses to give away is concerned, I will say that there is enough suppose happened, den? Shure, an' didn't he has been looking after the business affairs to 154 pounds, which McCoy cannot very the entire National league. Adolph Busch of the association team during the absence well make. In a letter to the Kid, Ryan is back of the club, but he will not get all of the stock. I will own a big share, the Your various challenges to Robert Fitz- brewery a big share, and the rest will be simmons not having been accepted by him, sold to the people at large in \$100 shares.

The new association claims to have grounds in all of the cities where its teams weight championship should weigh 154 will be located. It claims that it will be pounds at the ringside, and that is what I able to start out next season with players A good card is scheduled to come off in lute freedom from and financial harassments, its promoters consider themselves to

One thing that is promised as a result of the proposed new association is a closer straight. Queenan of Chicago and the fastest as well affiliation between the major and minor as the best contest ever pulled off in Den-ver is expected. "Kid" Parker is a great tional and Western leagues, and this can favorite in Denver, where he has frequently only be obtained by liberal concessions on appeared, and the sports out that way swear the part of the former regarding the draft by him in several different languages. It is rule. The Western league teams have alstuck on the "Kid" out there that they promising young player being grabbed by would rather see him than to walk across the National even before he has matured. the street to see even Jeffries were he to A new draft rule is likely to be formulated appear on the same night. On Tuesday whereby players in the minor league will night a double bill is promised. Paddy Ma-

"Buck" Keith, Omaha's well-known base rounds. Wednesday night Tommy Ryan of "Buck" Keith, Omaha's well-known base Syracuse, who has just defeated Frank ball promoter, believes that this city will Thursday night a heavyweight contest will next year. He is going to bend every be pulled off with Frank Childs, the cele- energy in that direction and is confident brated colored heavyweight, and an equally that it can be brought about provided Omaha business men who recognize the advantage to be derived to the city by own-Friday night Jack Moffatt and Frank Mc- vantage to be derived to the city by own-Connell of Carifornia, middleweights, will ing a base ball franchise will properly suptry conclusions and on Saturday night the port the movement. Regarding this mat-

> "This equabble among the big cities for the organization of a new big league team is going to result in the American Asso-

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splendid for Omaha to get in on the reorganized Western league. My prediction is that before the atempt to organize a new National association comes to a showdown Detroit, Indianapolis and Grand Rapids will pugilist of the world, and conqueror of Bob get out of the Western and either lose their franchises or else get into one of the big associations. That leaves the field clear for the construction of a Western league, composed strictly of western cities, with a cir This would make a hot circuit--right in the that it can be worked to a successful conclusion and, what's more, I believe that it will be brought about.

> "In order for Omaha to get in on a circult like this about \$6,000 would have to be raised. This would be a very modest sum to start out the season on, with players to be bought and other expenses to be met, but I believe that it could be carried through on that. And I am dead sure that I can go out here in Omaha and in two weeks' time get

> "Why, Omaha people appreciate base ball. know some people say it's a 'bum' ball town and point to the flunk made last year but you must remember that the Transmis sissippi Exposition last year was the sola attraction and it was no wonder that the ball team did not make a success. The same way this year-we have made no effort to get up a league team because of the exposition. Next year, however, there will be no counter at tractions and base ball will pay, and pay blg. This statement is borne out by the at tendance at the games which I have pulled off here this summer between the Brewers and local and visiting teams. The crowd were fine, and you can just bet your life that with contesting teams belonging to a league as the attraction the people would turn out in droves.'

About this time the doughty "Buck" began to expand and prate on the Omaha Originals -a subject that is always near and dear to his heart. It is related that "Buckerino" was a pallbearer at a funeral not long ago and during the calm following the minister's prayer hoarsely whispered to a friend in a sotto voice, heard by everyone within the room, that Scully's arm had waxed strong since the days when the Denver Gulfs administered such a soaking to the Brewers. But on this occasion "Buck" spoke of the "Originals," as regards their ability to achieve and sustain teague honors, and he believes that with one or two additions he could go out right now and wallop the is closing out second-hand

"Why," he said, "our record is mar- bicycles this week, at a genvelous, marvelous. Nothing equals it in the annals of base ball history. During the last uine bargain. only lost eleven. Think of that, Wasn't that 'natural?' 'Leven out of 170? Why sure! Three of these we dropped to a professional team down at Atchison, Kan., July 2. 3 and 4 of last year. The same team carried away two more in a couple of games on the home grounds July 11 and 12 of las year. We went up against it when we crossed bats with the Denver Gulfs, losing one game in Denver August 24, and three in Omaha this month. We have shut ou which are already assured are New York, twenty-six teams without a score, and at Avoca one day last year Scully pitched a game and didn't give a hit nor a run.

"Omaha will be right in line next summer on base ball. You can jot that down in your note book and publish it for the people to cut out and paste in their hats because it's a dead straight tip."

"You can count me out when it comes to Rube base ball circuits," said Bert Davis, manager of the Denver Gulfs, to a Times reporter the other day. "I suppose if I had i tificates and each had about \$10 worth of interest in the club. At this meeting I speak of, one of these stockholders, who was a highly respected Hibernian citizen of the burg in which the club was stationed, got up and said: 'As Oi was pashin' down the street last night I saw dis yere ball player a-fillin' his face with lobster. He fed his face wid tree lobsters. And phwat do ye make five errors today, all becuz he chewed tree lobsters las' night. Derefur, I move ye, sor, dat dis man be foined foive dollars fur eatin' de lobsters las' night.' This mo tion went and the player was fined. As I say, I will stand for the big league or the Western, or even the Christian Endeavor, but I pass up the minor circuits."

With the season now on the wane, Delehanty of Philadelphia, Burkett of St. Louis Chicago and Keeler of Brooklyn are making a capable of putting up a strong, interesting pretty fight for batting honors. Burkett is professional game, and, assured of abso-endeavoring to regain the honors Keeler took from him two years ago.

> Cleveland finally won a game from Washington Monday, after losing twenty-six

> Judging from present indications the amount of fines turned into the National league treasury by the players this season

> If St. Louis comes up to expectations the best she can do is to finish fifth in the pennant race. Tebeau's inability to play because of being sick all season is assigned as the reason for not reaching third place.

"Big Bill" Lange, they say, will not play

ball any more, but will retire at the end of this season and engage in business in San Francisco. His engagement to Miss Grace be in the circuit of the Western league Giselman, a prominent and attractive society belle in San Francisco, has been announced for some time.

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